

Suspicious Activity Incident Results in Man Arrested for Drugs and Weapons

Frederica, DE- Delaware State Police arrested **Emmanuel Vargas-Lopez, 34, of Lincoln**, on multiple criminal charges after an incident in High Point Mobile Home Park.

On February 12, 2022, at approximately 2:16 p.m., troopers were dispatched to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Holly Drive. The caller was requesting police help remove a male subject from her property after he failed to leave after being instructed to do so multiple times. When troopers arrived, they contacted Emmanuel Vargas-Lopez, who was still trespassing on the property. As Lopez was taken into custody, he began resisting arrest and tried to head-butt the arresting officers. At the same time, Lopez attempted to swallow a bag containing heroin to destroy evidence. He was ultimately taken into custody, and during a search incident to arrest, the following items were located:

- 102 Oxycodone Hydrochloride pills
- 6 Acetaminophen/Xanax pills
- Approximately 3.46 grams of suspected counterfeit-controlled-substance heroin
- Approximately 4.48 grams of suspected counterfeit-controlled-substance cocaine
- Five crystal rocks suspected to be methamphetamine

The investigation determined before Lopez trespassed on Holly Drive, he used a firearm while driving past residences in the community and fired two rounds into the air. An examination of the crime scene was conducted, and spent shell casings were discovered in the roadway. In the same area, two individuals were standing outside in close proximity to where the

shootings occurred. Lopez's vehicle was located parked in the area, and two black handguns with extended magazines were observed in plain view.

Lopez was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 3 and charged with the following:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (Felony)
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Tampering With Physical Evidence (Felony)
- (Two Counts)- Reckless Endangering Second Degree
- Resisting Arrest
- Possession of a Controlled Substance
- Criminal Trespass Third Degree

He was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court and released after posting a \$25,601.00 secured bond.

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